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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Jocelyn Boyd
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

**Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC & Duke Energy Progress, LLC
Notice of Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing - March 29, 2018**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(v), Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC respectfully request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina post the attached "Notice of Request for Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing" on its website.

We have confirmed that the Commissioners and Commission employees identified in the attached Notice, as well as the Executive Director of the Office of Regulatory Staff are generally available and willing to attend the Briefing as described in the attached Notice.

Yours truly,



Frank R. Ellerbe, III

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Enclosure

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